

REMARKS

This Amendment shows the changes made by the Examiner and entered by the Examiner in the Examiner's Amendment mailed with the Notice of Allowance on October 6, 2004. Claims 1, 3-25, and 29-32 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claim 8 is amended and claim 32 is added.

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's agreement during the October 29, 2004 telephone conference that the subject matter of claim 11 from Application No. 10/425,738 would be allowable if added as claim 32 in the present application. Accordingly, claim 32 is added. Claim 32 is identical to claim 11 which was indicated as allowable in the October 8, 2004 Office Action of related Application No. 10/425,738.

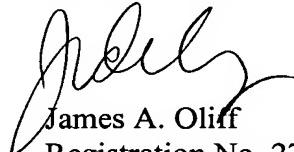
Claim 8 has been amended to correct an informality recited in the claim.

Moreover, an Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449 was filed in the above-captioned patent application on August 2, 2002. Applicant has not yet received from the Examiner a copy of Form PTO-1449 initialed to acknowledge the fact that the Examiner has considered the disclosed information. The Examiner is requested to initial and return to the undersigned representative a copy of Form PTO-1449. For the convenience of the Examiner, a copy of the IDS and PTO-1449 along with the Patent Office Receipt dated August 2, 2002 is attached.

The Amendment does not effect the disclosure or require substantial work on the part of the Patent Office. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Amendment.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this matter, The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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